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System requirements

- SCORE 2014 is designed as a standalone PC-based application.
- It consists of a .NET client application attached to a local SQL database.
- It requires Administrative rights to install (but not to run the application).

An overview of the system requirements are shown below:

Item	Minimum	Recommended
Operating system	Windows XP SP3	Windows 7 or above
Hard disk		1 GB free space
Memory	1 GB	2 GB
Graphics	32-bit graphics with 1024*768 resolution	32-bit graphics with 1280*800 resolution
Database	SQL Server Express 2008 R2 or above Note this is downloaded as part of the install if necessary.	
Other	.NET Framework 4 Client Profile Note this is downloaded as part of the install if necessary. 2014/15 Funding Information System (FIS) export database	Microsoft Excel (or equivalent) Adobe Acrobat Reader (or equivalent) Note that these are optional but will facilitate the viewing of exported data. 2013/14 Funding Information System (FIS) export database



SQL Server Express R2 and the .NET Framework 4 Client Profile must be installed as a minimum. If unavailable then the prerequisites wizard will download and install these components for you.

In most circumstances the default settings can be accepted but System Administrators should read the SQL Server Express R2 section of this document.

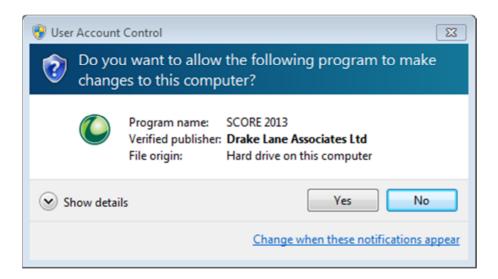
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Installation

The installation package is distributed for download from our website as a zip file. Download the zip file, extract all files to a folder on your PC and run setup to begin the installation.

If you are using Windows Vista or above you will probably see a User Account Control warning similar to that shown below.



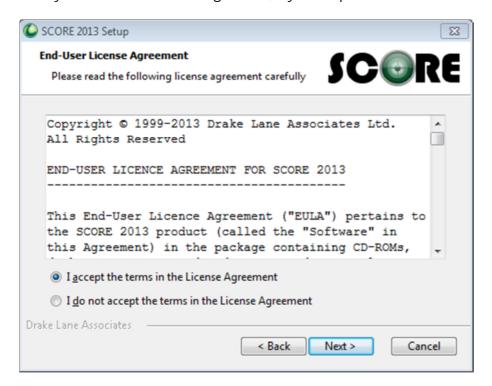
The files are digitally signed by us (the verified publisher) so you can click Yes. Once setup begins simply follow each of the wizard stages through as shown.



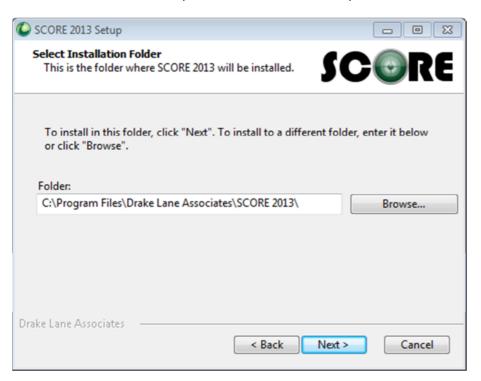
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Once you have read the licence agreement, if you accept the terms click Next to continue.



Select the installation folder (the default is recommended).

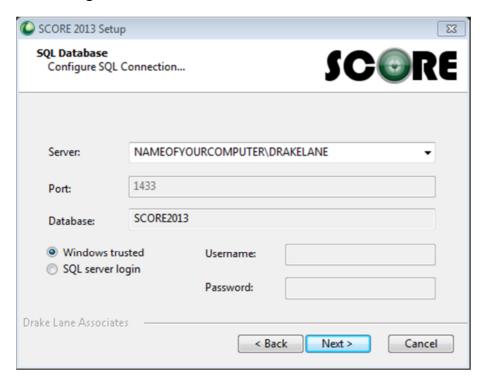


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Configure the SQL database connection by selecting the server and login.

- If you installed SQL express as part of the setup then by default the server will be in the format NAMEOFYOURCOMPUTER\DRAKELANE.
- If you have FIS (Funding Information System) software installed then the server will normally be in the format NAMEOFYOURCOMPUTER\SQLEXPRESS. If you are placing the SCORE database on the FIS SQL Express instance then you must be logged in to Windows with the same user account used when you installed FIS otherwise the correct permissions may not be assigned to the database.



You may see network servers on the list but this product is designed as a standalone desktop application so we recommend using a local server.

Login credentials are set to Windows trusted by default but you may wish to use the SQL server login. To avoid any potential issues caused by insufficient user permissions we recommend using the sa (System Administrator) SQL server login rather than the Windows trusted. The connection login credentials are stored in an encrypted format. If you are using the default server (with the DRAKELANE instance) you may be able to use the username sa and password DrakeLan3. If you do not know the login credentials please ask your System Administrator.

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Once everything is ready click Install.



When the installation is complete click Finish, with the option to subscribe on our website for email news (recommended).



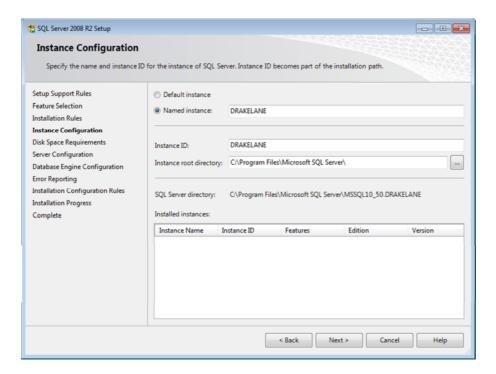
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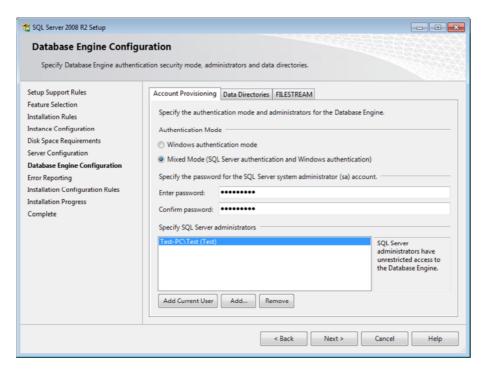
Special notes for SQL Server 2008 R2 Express

If this prerequisite is required then in most circumstances the default settings can be accepted. System Administrators may wish to note the following settings specific to the SQL Server 2008 R2 Express installation

The default instance is named DRAKELANE.



The authentication mode is mixed by default. The system administrator account (sa) has the default password DrakeLan3.



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The database used for data analysis and reporting needs to reside on SQL Server 2008 R2 or above. The product is designed as a standalone desktop application so we recommend that one of the SQL Express editions is used on the client.

If you do not have SQL Server installed locally on your computer then the application installer can download this for you.

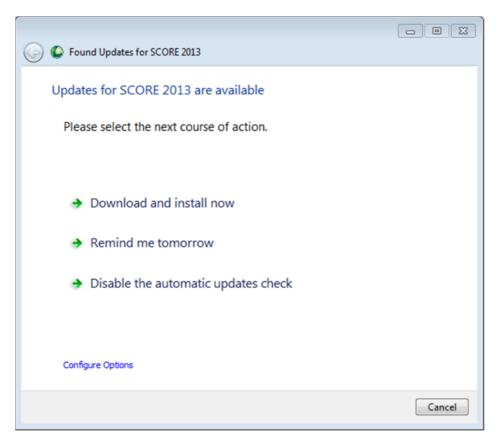
Although it is technically possible for the database to reside on a network SQL server instance the application is currently not designed to operate in a shared multi-user environment.

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Updates

Software updates will be checked for automatically when an internet connection is available. By default updates are checked for every day but you can change this and other settings by selecting configure options on the screen below.





Alternatively, software updates can be checked for manually by selecting check for updates from the Help and support menu ribbon.

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Uninstallation

To uninstall the client application software, go via Windows Control Panel.

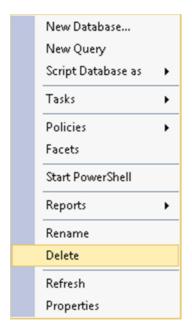


Use Programs and Features in Windows 7



Use Add/Remove Programs in Windows XP

To completely remove the SCORE database from the SQL server instance connect using SQL Server Management Studio and delete the database.





Please note that this guide is written with reference to SQL Server 2012 but similar processes apply to other versions.

Expand the Databases node, right-click the appropriate database and select Delete from the context menu.

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Unlock and licence

You will not be able to use the software until an unlock code is entered. You unlock the software the first time it is run by contacting us with your UKPRN and computer fingerprint. We can then provide you with an unlock code.



Your licence is for your specific UKPRN, and each computer where the software is installed will require a different unlock code:

- The unlock codes consist of two separate 8-character sections separated by a dash (hyphen) for example 1234ABCD-567890EF.
- When entering your unlock code the dash (hyphen) is entered automatically so there is no need to type it in. Any alpha characters entered are converted to UPPERCASE automatically.

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Performing a build

You will need to perform a build to process your data before viewing reports and other information. The build is managed by a wizard that will lead you through the necessary steps.

You don't have to follow the wizard through every step. To skip to a specific step, just click on the appropriate tab or select it from the main menu ribbon, though some steps must be completed in order (for example, you can't complete a build without first selecting a current year FIS export database file).

To move between the wizard steps do any of the following:

- Click on the appropriate tab
- Click the Back or Next buttons
- Type B (back) or N (next) on your keyboard

After the introductory page there follows a series of simple steps that allow your data to be analysed and a series of reports produced.

External data sources



Select the external data sources. For the current academic year the FIS export and LARS Microsoft Access databases are required.

Optionally, you can also select the FIS export database for the previous year. Doing so provides access to several additional reports that analyse data between the academic years.

Setting options

Options set during the build can affect what data is shown on your reports.

Include only learner aims generating FE funding in appropriate reports?



Ensures only funded aims are included on reports where appropriate. For example, some reports deal specifically with non-funded aims. This option is selected by default.

Remove exclusions from all reports?



You can exclude specific records from reports at aim or learner level (as and where appropriate). Selecting this option permanently removes all previously set exclusions data for all reports.

Remove notes from all reports?



You can add notes to specific report records at aim or learner level (as and where appropriate). Selecting this option removes all previously entered notes for all reports.

Organisation structure

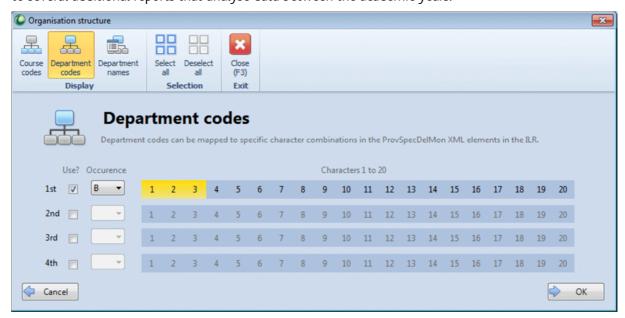


The structure of your organisation can be displayed or used to group data on many of the reports. A 2-tier hierarchy of department and course can be reflected by using the Learning Delivery Provider Specified elements of the ILR.

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Department and course definitions are set by selecting which XML elements and which characters contain the department or course code. In the example above, the first 3 characters of the ProvSpecDelMonB XML element are selected as identifying the course code. There is no restriction on how many of the available XML elements you can select to define your organisation structure.



In addition, departments also allow names to be entered manually against each department code generated. Optionally, a prompt can be shown at the end of the build to name any new departments generated by checking Prompt me to name new Departments on the Organisation tab of the wizard.

Any changes you make to course code definitions, department code definitions of department names will take immediate effect. If they are changed after a build has been done, the changes will be applied retrospectively to the data generated during that build.

Build

The build process allows SCORE to prepare data and reports based on the options selected. To start the build do any of the following:



- Click the SCORE logo (shown here on the left)
- Press F8 on your keyboard
- Click the Build button

Overall progress is shown on the green horizontal bar. During the build, the current optimisation figures are shown.



A potential under claim (positive) or zero is shown in black.

A potential over claim (negative) is shown in red.

Once the build is completed, the reports grid becomes available to investigate, view and output reports.

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Selecting reports

The list of available reports is presented in a highly flexible grid view. It is deliberately designed to look, feel and behave like a familiar Microsoft Excel style spreadsheet. If you already use our 4cast curriculum planning solution then this type of view will be very familiar to you.





You will find grids used in many places throughout the software. They may have a right-click context menu associated with them too which replicates many commands available elsewhere to provide you with different ways of performing the same task.

Changes can be made to the report list grid layout, including applied filters and sort order, and they will remain in place next time you start the application.

Navigation

To move between and within records you can select the required cell with the mouse or use the keyboard cursor, page up and page down keys.

The record selector on the left of the screen shows which record is currently selected. The record is also highlighted.

To open specific reports on screen do any of the following:

- Click the icon to open the printed report view.
- Click the icon to open the interactive chart view.
- Click the icon to open the spreadsheet-like datasheet view.
- Click the icon to open the form utility view.

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Double-click the row to open the default view for that report.

You can open more than one report at a time and switch between report windows in the usual way on the Windows taskbar.

The navigation panel to the left of the reports list datasheet allows quick access to specific groups of reports and other commands.

Items in the show group allow you to view specific categories of report. Any filters you have already applied to the reports list datasheet are removed.

- All shows all reports.
- Favourites shows reports you have marked as favourites.
- Selections shows reports you have marked as selected.
- Optimisation shows reports that have a funding impact calculated.
- [1] Chart available shows reports that have an associated interactive chart view.
- Utility available shows reports that have a form-based utility.
- Already open shows reports that are already open.
- Have data shows reports that have data.

Items in the actions group allow you to perform actions on the reports currently shown in the reports list grid.

- Batch PDF exports all of the reports to PDF.
- Batch Excel exports all of the reports to Microsoft Excel in the file format currently selected on the ribbon menu.

Favourites and selections

You can mark specific reports as favourites or selections for easy access to frequently used reports.

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- Click the favourites column to toggle on and off.
- Click the selections column to toggle on and off.

Column layout and order



You can decide which columns are shown by clicking the field selector button at the top-left corner. To simply remove a field you can also drag the column heading away from the datasheet.

To change the order of fields, simply drag-and-drop the column headings into the position you require.

To change the width of a column place the mouse between headings, then click and drag to the required width. Double-click between columns to automatically fit the widest entry.

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Filtering



Filtering allows you to see just the reports you are interested in. The top two rows of the grid coloured light blue are used for filtering.



To apply a filter select a filter rule from the drop-down list and enter criteria in the box below or select from a list of existing values (where applicable).



The clear filter button on the far left removes the filter for the entire scenario or filters can be removed for individual columns.



Alternatively just select the remove filters button from the grid section of the main menu ribbon.

Sorting



To sort a column just click on the column heading. The direction of the arrow shows whether it is sorted ascending or descending. Hold down Shift to select multiple columns for sorting.

Grouping

Grouping the reports provides an alternative view of the grid by arranging records into groups which have the same value in specified columns.

Drag a column header here to group by that column.

To group by a column, click and drag the column heading to the box at the top left.

You can group by multiple columns by continuing to add column headings as required. Each group can be sorted as required.

■ ■ Individual groups can be expanded and collapsed by clicking the + and - buttons.

X To remove a grouping, click and drag the column heading away until the X is shown.

Dynamic department grouping

Where available, the data on individual reports can be optionally grouped on the printed report. Select the Group by Department checkbox on the reports list grid.

The grouping is set at individual report level and is off by default.

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Viewing report content



A standard report has two default views when opened, the datasheet and printed report (shown by default) views. Each view is available on a separate tab. The additional chart and utility views are available where indicated for specific reports.

Both default views also show summary information toolbar at the top of the screen with optimisation and exclusion information where applicable.

Optimisation	-£271,970	Exclusions	Yes	Last build	05/11/2014 15:18:03	(Today)
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Printed report



The report view shows the report as it will appear when printed. Standard navigation, print, export and other commands are on the ribbon.

If a filter is applied (via the datasheet) then this is shown on the first page. Depending on the report, it may not be possible to reflect the datasheet filter on the printed report. For example, you may filter for a specific course code but the report identifies its source data at learner level and a learner may be enrolled to several courses.

Where available, by selecting the checkbox on the reports grid printed reports can also be grouped dynamically by Department.

If there are exclusions then they are indicated in the page footer.

Print



Print selects a printer, number of copies and other options before printing.



Quick print sends the document directly to the default printer without making changes.

Page setup



Scale stretches or shrinks the printed output to a percentage of its actual size.



Margins sets the margin sizes for the entire document.



Orientation switches the pages between portrait and landscape layouts.



Size chooses the paper size of the document.

Navigation



Find shows the Find dialog to find text in the document.

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First page navigates to the first page of the document.

Previous page navigates to the previous page of the document.

Next page navigates to the next page of the document.



Last page navigates to the last page of the document.

Zoom



Show the mouse pointer.



Invoke the Hand tool to manually scroll through pages.



Invoke the Magnifier tool.



Many pages to select the page layout to arrange the document pages in preview.



Zoom out to see more of the page at a reduced size.



Zoom changes the zoom level of the document preview.



Zoom in to get a close-up view of the document.

Background



Page colour chooses a colour for the background of the document pages.



Watermark inserts a ghosted text or image behind the content of a page.

Export



Export the current document in one of the available formats, and save it to the file on a disk.



Export the current document in one of the available formats, and attach it to the email.

Close



Click this button or press F3 to close the report.

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Data grid



The data grid view shows the report source data in a grid format with similar functionality to the reports list in that you can change column layout and order, apply filters, sort columns and group data. There are however some important differences:

- # Columns can be frozen in position by clicking on the pin shown in the column header. Frozen columns remain in place when scrolling left and right.
- Exclusion related columns are always fixed at the left.

Some items on the ribbon menu are common to the report view but those relating specifically to the datasheet are shown below:

Filters



Save the current filter.



Apply a saved filter.



Clear all current filters.

Exclusions



Remove all exclusions for the report.



Restore all exclusions for the report to those at the end of the last build.

Notes



Toggle viewing the notes field.



Remove all notes for the report.



Restore all notes for the report to those at the end of the last build.

Layout



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Show the column chooser so you can select which fields are shown on the datasheet.



Automatically size all columns to fit the widest content.



Save the current layout.



Apply a layout that has already been saved.



Reset any changes made to the current layout since it was last saved.



Set the current layout to be your favourite layout for the report. Your favourite layout is used as the default.

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Export



Export to PDF.



Export to Microsoft Excel with Excel 2007(*.xlsx) format as default.

Report



Print the printed report view.

Help



View the latest help documentation at www.drakelane.co.uk (or press F1).

Close



Close the report (or press F3).

Chart



Where available, the chart view shows summarised report source data as an interactive chart. To drill-down to a specific subset of data just hover over the chart and click. You will then be taken to the data grid view filtered for the specific subset of data selected. The chart formats are predefined but numerous settings may be adjusted via the ribbon menu:

Grouping

The data grouping allows you to select how to categorise the chart data.

Format

You can select from the available chart types and where to position the legend.



Show data labels.



Hide data labels.



Show in 3D.



Show in 2D.

Gridlines

Set the visibility of both horizontal and vertical gridlines (major or minor) on the chart.

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Zoom

Drag the slider controls to zoom in or out horizontally or vertically. Check the box to maintain the existing aspect ratio.

Export



Export the graph directly to PDF.

Utility



Where available, the utility view presents information separately in a dedicated screen. Utilities are primarily used to present summary financial or statistical data rather than information about individual learners or enrolments. Once presented, the data can normally be organised, viewed and exported to different formats if required.

Funding changes between current and previous ILR (195)

Continuous changes to the ILR mean that funding output can vary significantly between consecutive ILR files and it's not always obvious what has caused any change in funding.

This utility allows a comparison to be made quickly and easily between funding generated by the current ILR with that from the previous ILR, summarised at different levels (it is not designed to give a full audit trail of changes to individual ILR records).

Up to a maximum of three summary levels are available, dependent on the funding model selected:

EFA	SFA	Notes	
FundLine	FundLine	Funding line type, taken from the respective FIS data tables LearnerEFAFunding and LearningDeliverySFAFund.	
LearnRefNumber	LearnRefNumber	Learner reference number.	
	LearnAimRef	Learning aim reference.	
	Course	Course code, as defined in organisation settings. Not available for EFA as funding is at learner level.	
	Department	Department code, as defined in organisation settings. Not available for EFA as funding is at learner level.	



Select the summary levels required from the grouping drop-down lists and click refresh to see your selections reflected in the grid.

A minimum of two builds with current year data must have been completed before the system functions as intended. When new current year data is generated during the build, a copy of funding and enrolment data is taken. During subsequent builds, this process is repeated with existing data from the previous build still stored. A comparison can then be made between the two consecutive sets of data.

Data is presented in the familiar grid format, with the standard sorting, filtering and field selector functions available.

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Even without any changes, the summary data is always shown at the bottom of the screen:

Record	Enrols	Learners	On program	Balance	Achievement	Learner Support	Total funding
Previous	27686	9755	£4,691,445	£125,263	£170,008	£0	£4,986,716
Current	27686	9755	£4,691,445	£125,263	£170,008	£0	£4,986,716
Change	0	0	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0



Select to display all records, even those where there are no changes.



Select to display only those records where there is a change.

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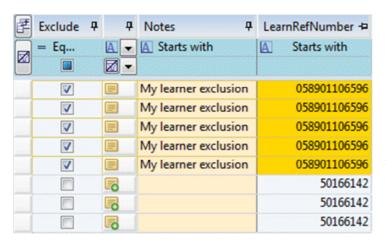
Adjusting report content

Excluding data



Exclusions allow data from individual reports at learner or enrolment level being discounted. Though not applicable to all reports, exclusions work at learner or enrolment level, not both. In this way, you can prevent data being reported which you don't want shown. For example, it may be that action has already been taken or you are aware of the reasons for it showing on the report. On some reports we cannot say with certainty that data is wrong or requires correction, just that further investigation may be required on your part.

Exclusions are stored permanently and are retained between builds, so they only have to be set once.

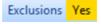


Exclusions are set at report level on the datasheet view. The exclude flag is fixed in place and is always the leftmost column on the datasheet.

Once excluded the records affected are coloured yellow. When excluding a learner all records for that learner on the report are excluded, as shown in this example.



When an individual report has exclusions set it is indicated in the report information bar below the report ribbon menu. The number of exclusions is also shown on the page footer of the report.



For an overall view, when exclusions are set on any report it is also shown on the information bar below the main menu ribbon. The numbers of exclusions are also shown in a separate column on the reports list datasheet.

The setting (or removing) of exclusions is reflected in the learner and enrolment counts in addition to the optimisation calculations both overall and at individual report level immediately. There is no need to perform the build again.



Select remove exclusions from the report datasheet ribbon toolbar to remove all exclusions for the report or just use the excluded flag on individual datasheet rows.



Restores all exclusions for the report to those at the end of the last build.

Adding notes



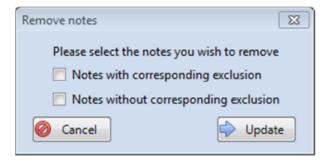
Notes are optional and can be entered against records on individual reports at learner or enrolment level. Though they operate independently of exclusions, they could, for example, indicate the reason why specific records are excluded.

Notes operate in a similar way to exclusions; they are not applicable to all reports and are available to be entered either at learner or enrolment level, not both.

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- This image indicates that a record does not have an associated note. Clicking the image toggles viewing the notes column, allowing you to add a note.
- This image indicates that a record has an associated note. Clicking the image toggles viewing the notes column.
- In addition, selecting show or hide notes from the datasheet ribbon menu toggles viewing the notes field. When applying notes to a learner the note is automatically repeated against all records for that learner on the report.
- Select remove notes from the report datasheet ribbon toolbar to remove all notes for the report. You can remove just notes that have associated exclusions, notes without associated exclusions, or both.



Restores all notes for the report to those at the end of the last build.

Maintaining exclusions and notes



A common screen manages exclusions and notes on an overall basis for every report. Select exclusions and notes from the maintenance section of the home ribbon toolbar.



In addition to standard menu items, the exclusions and notes data can be imported and exported in CSV format if required.

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Ribbon menu

The main application menu is in the style of a modern Microsoft Office ribbon toolbar, split into two tabs:

Home tab

Maintenance



Access the definitions and maintenance for departments and courses within your organisation.



Open the exclusions and notes maintenance screen.

Open reports

This set of buttons performs actions on all currently open reports:



Export to the selected file format.



Close all reports.

Navigation



Navigate to the previous tab in the build process.



Navigate to the next tab in the build process.

Filter



Save the current filter.



Apply a saved filter.



Clear all current filters.

Layout



Apply a layout that has already been saved.



Save the current layout.



Reset any changes made to the current layout since it was last saved.

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Set the current layout to be your favourite layout for the grid. Your favourite layout is used as the default.

Grid



Remove any filters applied to the reports list grid.



Export the reports list grid to Microsoft Excel.

Exit



Exit the application (or press F3).

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Click to visit our website www.drakelane.co.uk.

Help and support tab

Logs

We may request log files file to assist with any support cases you have open.



Open the latest build log file.



Open today's application log file.

Help



View the latest help documentation at www.drakelane.co.uk (or press F1).



Send an email to support@drakelane.co.uk using your default email client. Don't forget there's also the feedback option.

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Open the online feedback form to:

- Send us general feedback on the software.
- Make a suggestion to change existing features or functionality.
- Request a new feature that would help you or other customers.
- Report a software bug.
- Send some other kind of feedback.

You can also add attachments to any feedback you send. You can still call (sometimes it's more appropriate) or email, but this way makes sure we can easily track the many responses we get.

Application



Check manually for application updates. Application updates are also normally checked for automatically each day.



Show software version and licensing information.

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